

House Resolution No.

Whereas, it is with tremendous pleasure and genuine respect that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to acknowledge a milestone event in the life of one of this state's most illustrious citizens, LaVern Sailor of St. Louis; and

Whereas, LaVern Sailor has attained considerable distinction through her selection for a prestigious Certificate of Merit by the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge non-profit organization dedicated to teaching people the principles upon which the United States nation was founded; and

Whereas, LaVern Sailor's winning notebook submission is entitled, "The First Settler Arrives"; and

Whereas, on Monday, November 10, 2003, LaVern Sailor will be given her Certificate of Merit at a luncheon and awards presentation at The Gatesworth in St. Louis; and

Whereas, LaVern Sailor was one of only two persons in Missouri to qualify for the Certificate of Merit this year; and

Whereas, LaVern Sailor's unparalleled sense of service as a citizen is admirably demonstrated by her research concerning Moses Sailor, the first permanent settler of Faribault County, Minnesota, at the headwaters of the Blue Earth River; and

Whereas, Freedoms Foundation was established immediately following World War II by prominent business leaders to honor patriotism and good citizenship and to give educators and volunteers the resources needed to teach their fellow Americans the rights and responsibilities that accompany citizenship:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of LaVern Sailor for a Certificate of Merit by the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge organization and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations for this exceptional accomplishment in life and our best wishes for continued success now and in the future; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of LaVern Sailor of St. Louis, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Michael Vogt
District No. 66

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. ____, adopted _____, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker